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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A device for opening wings of a motor vehicle, comprising:
an exterior handle mounted on an exterior skin of the motor vehicle and loaded with spring force, and
a closing system fixed inside a bodywork space of the motor vehicle,
wherein the exterior handle has a holding fixture which can be brought into contact in an interactive manner with a connecting element which can be inserted from the exterior skin,
wherein one end of the connecting element is displaceably mounted on an insert part which can be inserted from the exterior skin and can be fixed relative to the exterior skin, ~~[and]~~
wherein the other end of the connecting element can be connected in active engagement with an actuating element which unlatches a blocking element of the closing system,
wherein the insert part has a closing cylinder, and
wherein the closing cylinder engages with a follower of the closing system through a rotatable paddle.
2. (Currently Amended) The device of claim 1, wherein the insert part has ~~[at least one of a closing cylinder and]~~ an infrared receiver.
3. (Previously Amended) The device of claim 1 or 2, wherein the insert part has illumination means.
4. (Currently Canceled)

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5. (Previously Amended) The device of claim 1, wherein a compressing spring is supported between the insert part and the connecting element to resiliently support and restrict the setting path of the exterior handle.

6. (Previously Amended) The device of claim 1, wherein the exterior handle for resilient support is tensioned with a handle shell through a spring.

7. (Previously Amended) The device of claim 1, wherein the insert part can be fixed relative to the exterior skin through at least one opening in an interior skin of the wing.

8. (Previously Amended) The device of claim 1, wherein the insert part is connected for positive locking engagement with a handle shell.

9. (Currently Amended) A device for opening wings of a motor vehicle, comprising:
an exterior handle mounted on an exterior skin of the motor vehicle and loaded with
spring force, and
a closing system fixed inside a bodywork space of the motor vehicle,
wherein the exterior handle has a holding fixture which can be brought into contact in an
interactive manner with a connecting element which can be inserted from the exterior skin,
wherein one end of the connecting element is displaceably mounted on an insert part
which can be inserted from the exterior skin and can be fixed relative to the exterior skin,
wherein the other end of the connecting element can be connected in active engagement
with an actuating element which unlatches a blocking element of the closing system, and
~~[The device of claim 1,]~~ wherein the connection between the blocking element and the
connecting element is through at least one of snap and detent elements.

10. (Currently Amended) A device for opening wings of a motor vehicle, comprising:

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an exterior handle mounted on an exterior skin of the motor vehicle and loaded with spring force, and

a closing system fixed inside a bodywork space of the motor vehicle,

wherein the exterior handle has a holding fixture which can be brought into contact in an interactive manner with a connecting element which can be inserted from the exterior skin,

wherein one end of the connecting element is displaceably mounted on an insert part which can be inserted from the exterior skin and can be fixed relative to the exterior skin,

wherein the other end of the connecting element can be connected in active engagement with an actuating element which unlatches a blocking element of the closing system,

~~{The device of claim 1,}~~ wherein the connection between the blocking element and the connecting element is through a separate connecting part which can be actuated through an interior skin of the wing.

11. (Previously Amended) The device of claim 10, wherein the interior skin has at least one assembly/dismantling opening for producing and releasing the connection between the connecting element and the closing system.

12. (Previously Amended) The device of claim 1, wherein a locking pawl is the blocking element.